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17 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
18 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
19 **OAKLAND DIVISION**

20 EPIC GAMES, INC.

Case No. 4:20-cv-05640-YGR-TSH

21 Plaintiff, Counter-defendant

**DECLARATION OF MARK A. PERRY IN  
SUPPORT OF APPLE INC.'S  
ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO SEAL**

22 v.

23 APPLE INC.,

The Honorable Thomas S. Hixson

24 Defendant, Counterclaimant

1 I, Mark A. Perry, hereby declare as follows:

2       1. I am an attorney licensed to practice in the State of California and a member of the Bar  
 3 of this Court. I am a partner at the law firm Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, counsel of record for Apple  
 4 Inc. (“Apple”) in this case. I am familiar with Apple’s treatment of highly proprietary and confidential  
 5 information based on my personal experience representing Apple. I have personal knowledge of the facts  
 6 stated below and, if called as a witness, would testify competently thereto. I submit this declaration in  
 7 support of Apple’s Administrative Motion to Seal (the “Motion”).<sup>1</sup>

8       2. I am aware that the law of this Circuit allows information to be filed under seal for good  
 9 cause or in certain compelling circumstances. I also understand that courts routinely seal filings where  
 10 documents include a company’s trade secrets, internal codenames, confidential research and  
 11 development, personally identifiable information, or other commercially sensitive information. I  
 12 understand that this Court has broad latitude to prevent the public disclosure of these categories of  
 13 commercially sensitive information, among other categories.

14       3. Apple operates in an intensely competitive environment. Apple has serious and legitimate  
 15 concerns that competitors will be quick to capitalize on any release of Apple’s highly sensitive  
 16 information in order to gain competitive advantage. As such, Apple takes extensive measures to protect  
 17 the confidentiality of its information.

18       4. Apple has carefully reviewed the exhibit to Apple’s Objections to Special Master Rulings  
 19 on Apple’s Productions of Re-Reviewed Privileged Documents (“Objections”), which was filed under  
 20 section 4 of the Joint Stipulation and Order Approving Privilege Re-Review Protocol (the “Protocol”),

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21       1 Courts in the Ninth Circuit routinely grant motions to seal based on declarations of counsel. See, e.g.,  
 22 *In re Apple Secs. Litig.*, 19-cv-02033-YGR, Dkt. 223 (N.D. Cal.); *In re Qualcomm Litig.*, No. 17-cv-  
 23 00108-GPC, Dkt. 398-1 (S.D. Cal. Mar. 26, 2018); *Avago Techs. U.S. Inc. v. Iptronics Inc.*, No. 10-cv-  
 24 02863-EJD, Dkt. 544 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 3, 2015); *Cisco Sys., Inc. v. OpenTV Inc.*, No. 13-cv- 00282-  
 25 EJD, Dkt. 76 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 8, 2013). If the Court deems this declaration insufficient, Apple  
 26 respectfully requests that it be permitted to file a further declaration supporting filing under seal.

1 and now proposes to partially seal information therein that, if disclosed, could harm Apple's competitive  
 2 business interests and would reveal personally identifiable information.

3       5. Apple seeks to seal this information because the privilege log is required to be filed under  
 4 the terms of the Protocol but contains sensitive, non-public information regarding Apple's project  
 5 codenames and engagement of outside legal counsel in connection with foreign regulatory issues, which  
 6 Apple intends to keep confidential. Public disclosure would reveal Apple's internal business decision-  
 7 making, which could be used by competitors to gain an unfair competitive advantage over Apple. It also  
 8 contains personally identifiable information in the form of email addresses of Apple employees that  
 9 Apple intends to keep non-public.

10     6. Apple has narrowly tailored its sealing request as to maximize the public's access to court  
 11 documents without jeopardizing Apple's business interests. The remainder of the privilege log exhibit  
 12 remains unredacted.

13     7. Below is a chart detailing the portions of the privilege log exhibit sealable for the reasons  
 14 explained herein, as well as in Apple's Motion.

<b>Portion of Document Sought to Be Sealed</b>	<b>Document Title</b>	<b>Reason to Seal</b>
19      Highlighted information in 20      the "Original Name" column 21      (M) of row entries 1, 9, and 22      10 within the privilege log.	Exhibit A to Objections 23      (Privilege Log Entries)	Reflects non-public Apple 24      project codenames
25      Highlighted information in 26      the "Additional Privilege Context" and the "Attorneys, 27      Legal Staff, and Employees Acting at the Direction of 28      Counsel" columns (Q and R) 29      of row entries 1, 47, 49, 51, 30      52, 53, and 66 within the 31      privilege log.	Exhibit A to Objections 32      (Privilege Log Entries)	Reflects non-public Apple 33      business strategy

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3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 Highlighted information in the from/to/cc columns (H, I, J) of row entries 26, 29, 30, 33, 36, 37, and 65 within the privilege log.	Exhibit A to Objections (Privilege Log Entries)	Reflects personally identifiable information

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 27th day of January 2025, in Washington, D.C.

Dated: January 27, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

By: Mark A. Perry  
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